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Sent: Monday, September 15, 2003 2:33 PM
To: Efiling, Dte (dpu)
Subject: rate increase for Witches Brook

To whom it may concern,

I am writing in regards to docket number D.T.E. 03-80, which simply states that on August 14th 2003 Witches Brook Water Company asked for a rate hike on water for Timberly Park in Townsend in the amount of 95.22%.

My name is Karol DeStefano and I live on Ash Street in Townsend and would be one of the "customers" that would be affected by the rate hike. I understand that the rates at Witches Brook have not been asset since 1989, and I do agree that after 14 years there should be an increase in the cost to deliver the water to us in Townsend. However, I do not see the need to increase the rate to almost 100%, for most people that would double their bills.

In a time where the economy is struggling, the unemployment rate is high, and families are having a hard time making ends meet an increase of this magnitude would be unrealistic and for some difficult to meet. I strongly urge and request that the decision makers take another look at the outrageously high increase in the proposed rate hike for Witches Brook.

Thank you for your time,
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